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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting Concerning ARDC Phase of POG

1. This is to record the substance of a meeting between Project representatives and Air Force representatives on 6 November regarding the ARDC phase of the POG program. In attendance were: Col. Jack A. Gibbs, Deputy Project Director; Lt. Col. Thomas R. Waddleton, ARDC; Major Francis J. Dillon, Jr., Headquarters, USAF; Major Clark Sykes, AFOSG-5 and the undersigned. The following matters were covered during the conversation.

a. Col. Gibbs advised that Project AQUATONE could not agree to ARDC use of Edwards Air Force Base in connection with their testing of the U-2 and related equipment for security reasons.

b. Col. Gibbs agreed to ARDC use [ ] facilities in lieu of Edwards Air Force Base. This included a tentative agreement for reciprocal use of aircraft tech reps, supplier support, spare parts and fuel.

c. When ARDC aircraft are produced they will be transported [ ] for assembly and retention subject to modification of understanding at some future date, i.e., May, 1957.

d. Col. Waddleton requested Project approval for personnel consisting of 3 pilots, 1 supply officer, 1 personal equipment specialist and approximately 3 maintenance airman. It was agreed that Col. Conry's office will <sup>take</sup> OSI clearance of such personnel to the level of Top Secret and will notify the undersigned when this is completed and files are available for review.

USAF review(s) completed.

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e. Col. Waddleton stated that in view of our stipulation against use of Edwards Air Force Base he would plan on programming his personnel mentioned above into [redacted] immediately following deployment of Detachment C on or about 15 January.

f. Col. Waddleton expressed a desire for permission to fly between Edwards Air Force Base [redacted] on a limited basis. The undersigned discouraged this but indicated special requests would always be entertained and approval given insofar as [redacted] operations would permit.

2. No further action appears necessary concerning this subject matter at this time. It is felt we can anticipate a request for further review of this as soon as Col. Waddleton has had an opportunity to reassess the planning factors.

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Project Security Officer

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